

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill # SB 208 Date 2/23/09

Short Title

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Short Form

Use only when there is no appropriation needed for state agencies, and no fiscal impact on state revenues, local governments, businesses, or individuals.

If the bill looks like it should have a fiscal note, explain why it does not. For example, a bill might put into code something that is already current practice.

Attachments welcome.

- ☐ State agencies will not require an appropriation to implement the bill.
☒ There is no fiscal impact on local governments.
☒ There is no fiscal impact on businesses
☒ There is no fiscal impact on individuals.
☒ The bill will not affect revenues.

Explain why this bill has no fiscal impact.

Posting information to the website has no cost.

A. What parts of the bill cause fiscal impact?

Cite specific sections or line numbers.

B. Which program gets the appropriation?

(Approp. Unit Code)

(To appropriate to an additional program use an additional form.) This is ____ of ____.

C. Work Notes: Assumptions, calculations & what are we buying?

Assume that a legislator calls you in to explain how you came up with your fiscal impact and these are the only notes you get to take with you.

List all costs. Identify one-time and ongoing costs. Detail FTE impacts.

Do not say, "\$50,000 in Current Expense." Be very specific about what \$50,000 will buy.

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The bill makes all public notices from any part of the Code no longer would be required to be published in a newspaper but will be required to be posted on the Utah Public Notice Website.

While this bill has no fiscal impact on government entities, it does make a fundamental change on information and its availability. Some groups such as those with either low computer skills or poorer internet access may become more disenfranchised from government. (Some examples might be farm co-ops, cemetery districts, and small special service districts might be in areas of low internet availability)

The bill would change the name of the website from "Public Meeting Notice Web Site" to "Public Notice Website". This fundamentally changes what would be posted there and in so doing will dilute the ability of citizens to access information unless they know what to look for and where.

(There are over 900 public schools who would need individual access to post community council agendas, etc.)

Fiscal Impact Tables

Current Budget Year
FY 2009

Coming Budget Year
FY 2010

Future Budget Year
FY 2011

D. If this is a revenue bill, show impacts here. (Select funds from drop-down menu.)

Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

E. Show Costs to Implement the Bill by Fund (Select funds from drop-down menu.)

Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

F. Show Costs to Implement the Bill by Expense Category.

Personal Services			
Travel			
Current Expense			
DP Current Expense			
DP Capital Outlay			
Capital Outlay			
Other/Pass Thru			
Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

G. How will the bill impact local governments?

Your estimate of the bill's impact
on local governments.

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NA - Some smaller agencies will need to learn how to post notices. School districts already fell under the previous classification. This simply changes all items that would have been required to be noticed in a newspaper to be noticed through the web site. There may be some problems in training so many individuals to be able to post on the Website.

H. How will the bill impact businesses?

Your estimate of the bill's impact
on businesses.

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Some businesses would need to be trained on how to post information to the website and it may cost extra funds to train more people.

I. How will the bill impact individuals?

Your estimate of the bill's impact
on individuals.

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There will be a large number of people who may be unable to access the information. The sheer volume will make getting the pertinent information more difficult and people may miss notices because they don't know where or how to look up the notices.